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It this a true blue rose? No, it is an aerial shot of thousands of Redheads, who met together last year in the Dutch City of Tilburg, in the Province of Brabant. This annual weekend Festival not only attracts Redheads, but also thousands of tourists, who come to see them as well as the many other events being held at that time. More on Redheads and the Town of Tilburg on pages 20 & 21.

Social Functions Calendar & Clubhouse Details

The following upcoming Neerlandia Functions and Events will be organised by Neerlandia at the Rhein Donau Club in Myaree.

Important: The entries below are an indication only of what events are planned during the coming months. For more accurate information, **always** refer to advertisements inside this magazine or contact the appropriate person of the Sub-Club concerned, as displayed on the second last page. Or look on our website:
neerlandia@dutchclubwa.com

Calendar of Upcoming Neerlandia Events held at the RDC unless shown as External.

Note: All Neerlandia Events and Sub-Club Activities listed below have been cancelled due to the Corona Virus Pandemic!!

April 2020:

Sunday 5	<u>The Easter Brunch</u> (For refunds see page 3)
Mon 6,20,27	<u>Hollandia Billiard Club</u>
Wed 1,8,15,22,29	<u>Wednesday Card Club</u>
Wed 1, 15,29	<u>Wednesday Bingo</u>
Thurs 2,9,16,23,30	<u>Thursday Night Card Club</u>
Thurs 9,23	<u>Neerlandia Seniors' Club</u>
Friday 24	<u>Orange Maas & Waal at Morley</u>

May 2020:

Sunday 3	<u>Sunday Klaverjas Drive</u>
Mon 4,11,18,25	<u>Hollandia Billiard Club</u>
Wed 6,13,20,27	<u>Wednesday Card Club</u>
Wed 13,27	<u>Wednesday Bingo</u>
Thurs 7,14,21,28	<u>Thursday Night Card Club</u>
Thurs 7,21	<u>Neerlandia Seniors' Club</u>
Friday 29	<u>Maas & Waal at Myaree</u>

Clubhouse details:

Neerlandia is using the Rhein-Donau Clubhouse for all their activities.

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TELETHON 2020 CAMPAIGN

During the last Maas and Waal Borrel and the last Seniors and Bingo days, the Telethon bucket was made available for donations and a total of

\$38.90 was collected,
taking it to a new level of
\$432.85

Let us do it again for our sick kids in WA!!

Are you one of the lucky parents, who did not have to battle with sick children??

*Henk Oorschot
Event Co-ordinator. Life Member.*

that has come in is that all Neerlandia Events & Sub- Club Activities have been cancelled as from the 20th of March.

In due course we will review this situation and will reschedule events and activities at a date to be decided.

Meanwhile, the RDC will go ahead with upgrading the Karl's Bar area during the next 6-8 weeks.

I wish you and your families all the best for these upcoming, trying times.

Please, all of you, stay very safe.

**Groeten,
Eric van Waaijenburg.
President.**

Beste medelanders,

As part of managing risks associated with the COVID-19 transmissions, the Neerlandia Executive Committee continues to remain vigilant and we are monitoring advice and guidelines from both the Australian Government Authorities and the Local Health Department. Our approach is to manage the COVID-19 situation in a balanced, calm and measured way, and be prepared to act quickly if the need arises.

Given the unfolding situation in Australia and across the world, and information received, **the Executive Committee has decided to indefinitely postpone the Easter Brunch, that was planned to occur on 5th April.**

(Refunds for those who have already bought tickets will be provided).

Following on from above information, the very latest news

NEERLANDIA WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS.

Anna Edwards
Wendy Stoffels
Stefan Haze
Jody Haze
John Zwartkruis
Jennifer Reemeijer
Robyn Res-Thomas
Dennis Res-Thomas
Jose van Lierop
Theo van Lierop

In Memoriam

Passed away the 22nd of February

Ton Vanderwiel

A long-term Neerlandia Member.
Sincere condolences to Elizabeth
and her family.



May He Rest in Peace.

The Tivoli Club in Applecross.

The Tivoli Club is located opposite the Raffles Hotel and holds a unique place in the entertainment scene of Australia, being the only non-professional theatre that produces a variety/cabaret show all year around.

It was found that the "real old time vaudeville" entertainment proved popular with audiences.

Many well known entertainers started their career at the Tivoli over the years.

I am happy to announce that Neerlandia was able to make a block booking for Sunday the 13th of December 2020 for 80 seats.

The normal price is \$20.-, but because most of us are Seniors, the entrance price is \$17.- and that includes chicken and chips at the interval.

As Neerlandia is going to sponsor this event with \$10.- per Member, you will only pay \$7.- for your ticket.

My advice is that you book your seats now, to make sure that you don't miss out.

Henk 9256 1977,

henkoorschott@bigpond.com

Henk Oorschot.

André Rieu on the big screen.

Over the past couple of years many of us have enjoyed the amazing André Rieu concerts on the big screen as Neerlandia sponsored the tickets for its Members.

The first one was at the Hoyts Cinemas in Cannington on 29th of July 2018. The next one was the Sydney Town Hall Concert, shown at the Event Cinemas in Innaloo on 16th of December 2018. This was followed by the 2019 Maastricht Concert and his 70th Birthday concert.

Dear Members, I just want you to know that the next Concert by André, on Sunday the 2nd of August, will be the last one sponsored by Neerlandia.

I have secured a block booking of 104 seats, so make sure that you get one of those seats before it is sold out.

Please consult page 16 for information.

Henk Oorschot,

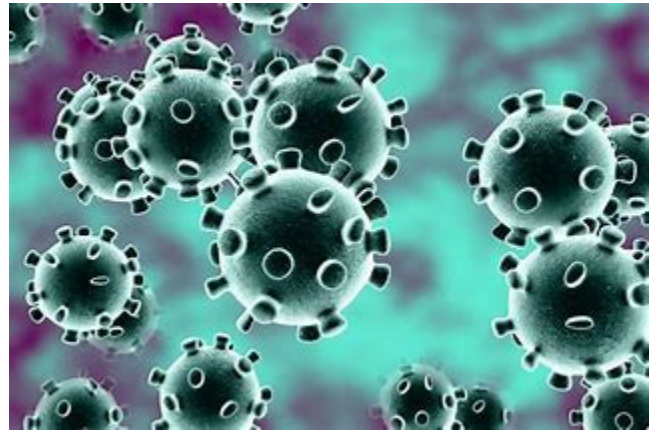
Event Co-Ordinator. L.M.

Dear Neerlandia Members and Family.

At the time of writing this, all of us and our family and friends, are affected by (the consequences of) the Corona virus.

Every day again we are confronted with new situations that force us to stop and change our routines, be they big or small.

As Editor of your Club Magazine, a position that I have held for many years, I am faced with a problem that is totally novel to me. A problem that I never expected ever having to face, a problem that effectively, is not my problem - it is a collective problem, it is our problem.



Let me explain what I mean. You are currently reading this article as a part of the April issue of the Dutch Club Neerlandia of which you are a Member. The Club Magazine is a collection of updates, news items and reports of past Club Events of which there have been many.

However, due to a temporary closure of the Club and cancellation of all Events, the May Magazine may be not more than just a few pages unless we all get together and make the May magazine together, a compilation of articles written and submitted by you.

As the Editor of your Club Magazine, I would like to invite you all to write a piece to be published in next month's magazine. Did you come across something that moved you or made you laugh? Please send it to me! Perhaps you have a memory that you would like to share with us? Please tell us? Or that funny story about your child or grandchild, or its achievement - we like to hear that one too! What about that wonderful book you read recently or the movie you watched? Maybe you just feel like writing about how you feel, or perhaps you have a concern on your mind that you would like the Club Members to know about. Or an interesting or novel way on how to spend the long days and evenings in isolation!

This is a chance to get together and to make the May magazine a joint effort.

As it is currently not possible to talk with each other over a coffee in the Club house, let's communicate through our Club Magazine, and make it a true Magazine for and by the members.

And if we receive a lot of your feedback, we will continue publishing this in the June issue.

With many of us housebound and all of us limited in our moves, we could sit back, get creative and get through this - together.

Piet Leeftang. L.M.

Editor.

You love working with kids and families?

The Neerlandia Junior Club has a volunteering opportunity available for you as an **Assistant Event Organizer**, to help organise Children and Family events.

You will assist us with:

1. **Booking with service providers, such as at the Ice Skate facility, Rhein Donau Club, and the Windmills Club.**
2. **Marketing and advertising of events on Facebook.**
3. **Have fun and enjoy a lot of activities.**

If you like to assist Neerlandia with these jobs, which can easily be done from your home, please contact Machiel van der Stelt on:

Advocaat, Oude Jenever, Jonge Jenever and Citroen Jenever

Are you looking for a present for that special Dutch man in your life.

We now have a very limited stock of:

«# **Oude Jenever** in the traditional stone bottle - \$70 for 1 litre.

Another special we can help you with is :

«# **Citroen Jenever** - \$60 for 1 litre, again, very limited stock.

We also have available for you:

«# **Jonge Jenever** - \$65 for 1 litre

And of course, plenty of thick:

«# **Zwarte Kip Advocaat** - \$20 for 500ml

We can order for you:

«# **Wenekers Bessen Jenever** - \$55 for 1 litre

If available from our agent over East!



Please contact Lianna on 0437 629 635 to place your order and to arrange pick up.

Always loved books and like to assist people to find the right book?

The Dutch Club Neerlandia has a volunteering opportunity available for you to help out in our Dutch book Library as a **Library Assistant**.

What your jobs would be:

1. **Organizing the books alphabetically in the library.**
2. **Scanning and manually record books on our online catalogue system.**
3. **Have fun and read as many books as you like.**

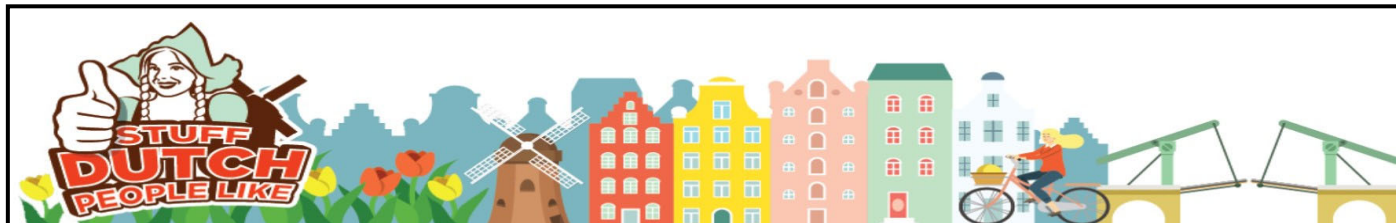
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Machiel van der Stelt.



Stuff Dutch People Like

“Stuff Dutch People Like” is a column written by an Expatriate living in the Netherlands. This amusing column observes the Dutch in their everyday life. We hope that you enjoy reading “Stuff Dutch People Like” as much as we do. The blog is available via the internet.

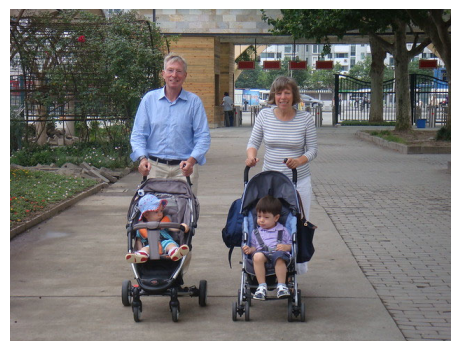


12 Reasons Why Dutch Moms Are The Happiest. (continuation from last month.)

It's no secret that Dutch women live a pretty charmed life. And we've all heard time and again that Dutch babies and Dutch kids are the happiest in the world. But the question remains: “Where do the happiest mothers in the world live? Well, you guessed it; the Netherlands!” We're here today to share 12 reasons why Dutch moms are the happiest. Get ready to start taking notes because this is some seriously good info!

6. They outsource.

Round up the grey-haired brigade! Dutch parents know how to outsource. Have you also spied all those spritely seniors chasing tiny tots across the Netherlands? *Oma and Opa* play a significant role in childcare in the Netherlands. Aside from *Papadag and Mamadag*, many Dutch grandparents look after their grandchildren on a fixed day each week. Dutch grandparents are among the most involved in Europe with “60% or more providing at least some form of childcare”.



7. They have world-class postnatal care.

Postnatal care in the Netherlands is simply, dare I say it, superior to any other country in the world. After giving birth, new moms in the Netherlands are entitled to 8 days of home care by a highly trained maternity (*kraamzorg*) nurse. Yes, your very own post-baby fairy-godmother is on hand to help care for you and your new baby, while also doing your laundry, cooking meals, tidying up and offering hands-on support and advice. *A seriously awesome system.*

8. They feel less guilt.

Dutch mothers feel less guilt – and that's a good thing. This healthy attitude allows them to achieve a balanced approach to motherhood and its demands. Of course, I'm not saying that Dutch mothers do not feel any guilt whatsoever (because unfortunately some level of guilt is part and parcel of being a mother) but I do, however, believe that Dutch mothers feel significantly *less* guilt than their North American counterparts. Not convinced?

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Stuff Dutch People Like

9. They let their children be children.

The belief in freedom and independence is a fundamental principle in Dutch parenting. The Dutch expression: “Een kind opvoeden is een kind loslaten,” roughly translates to the notion that to raise a child is to let a child go. Dutch babies and toddlers are given the space and time to cultivate their “independent lives”. Dutch children may appear to be running wild and free at times, but this freedom actually cultivates and helps produce very independent children. Something we all wish for!



10. They don't helicopter.

You will be hard pressed to find “helicopter parenting” in the Netherlands. At the numerous Dutch playgrounds, I have frequented the exact opposite tends to be true. Ridiculously high climbing structures? Check! Open waterways and canals? Check. Check! Even with looming “danger”, the “helicopter-parent” trend has thankfully managed to not successfully cross the Atlantic – as we all know, those kind of parents are no fun to have around (and more importantly, are sadly trapped in the realm of constant worry, stress, and over-protection).

11. They don't attach themselves to their children's failures – or successes.

Dutch parents have an uncanny knack for separating their children's talents (or lack thereof) from their own. Their children are not seen as a direct reflection of themselves, but instead, autonomous beings with individual characters, strengths and weaknesses. It's an utterly refreshing perspective, which automatically removes competition, guilt, and self-praise from the core of the parenting equation.



12. They sleep better than you.

Guess what? Dutch mothers sleep better than you. It's not fair, but it's true. We all know that actually the MOST important, critical, life-saving element of parenthood is actually just.... cold, hard, sleep! Dutch moms sleep better because their babies sleep better, and therefore their kids do too. We could write a whole chapter about it, and well, we kinda did.

(Colleen Geske is the founder of Stuff Dutch People Like. She is originally from Canada and has called Amsterdam her home since 2004. Stuff Dutch Moms Like is the fourth book in the series).

Worthwhile Wellness information.

(The following article, which contains interesting health advice and information, was forwarded by one of our Members. However, we cannot guarantee the accuracy, nor the correctness of the advice given, however, some of you may learn something new. Editor)

A very important warning for those, who wake up at night to go to the bathroom... You must be careful and use the "One-and-a-Half-minute law" which is scientifically proven. By waking up suddenly for one's physiological needs normally, we often hear that someone was well in good health and died suddenly during the night without reason. The most likely reason is that when that person woke up to go to the bathroom, he/she got up from bed in a hurry, but the brain is not receiving a great flow of blood when a person is lying down. Getting on your legs quickly causes sudden low blood pressure in the brain and can cause fainting! Then it is possible that the person falls heavily and a stroke or serious injury could happen.



It is recommended to learn the "**One-and-a-Half-minute law**" that can save your life.

When you wake up to go to the bathroom, you must first:

- ...# Lay for 30 seconds after waking up.
- ...# Sit in bed for 30 more seconds.
- ...# Sit on the side of your bed with legs touching the floor for another 30 seconds. Only then get up to go to the bathroom.

With these above steps the chances are that low blood pressure blackout will not occur with no resulting injuries or stroke, regardless of age.



Heartbeat & Blood Pressure: Pressure Arterial.

- ☐ 120/80 normal
- ☐ 130/85 normal (requires control)
- ☐ 140/90 high
- ☐ 150/95 very high

Heartbeat per minute:

- 72 BPM (Default)
- 60 to 80 BPM (normal)
- 40 to 180 BPM (abnormal)

The effect of Water on your body.

We know that drinking water is important to prevent dehydration, but do you know other times when a person should drink more water!

Drinking water at the correct time maximizes the effectiveness of the human body:

- 1 Glass of water after waking up, helps activate internal organs.
- 1 Glass of water 30 minutes before meal helps digestion.
- 1 Glass of water before showering helps lower blood pressure.
- 1 Glass of water before going to sleep, may avoid stroke or heart attack.

The March Maas & Waal & Corona Virus action

The March Maas & Waal.

It may have been the constant rain that fell on that day or the fact that 28 February was the start of the March long weekend, but very few patrons attended the February Maas and Waal Borrel.

In my memory this must have been the smallest group of attendees I ever experienced. It was not because of Armanda's Dutch pea soup, which alone would have been worth a trip to the Windmills that night, nor could it have been the nassi with chicken saté that Armanda had prepared for the night, as that dish was delicious too.

The entertainer looking after Open Mic, was Bob Htun. As soon as he started to play all guests stopped talking to be taken away to a relaxed world by the strong voice and brilliant guitar play of Bobo. His covers of popular songs sometimes made you believe you were at the live concert of a famous performer.

After 7pm the Dutch conversation class (beginners) had finished, which filled the hall with an interesting mixture of Neerlandia Members, their children and some grandchildren; all eager to learn the language and to be an active part of the Neerlandia Community.

By 8.15pm most people had gone and all that was left was for the two Committee Members present, to tidy up and lock away.

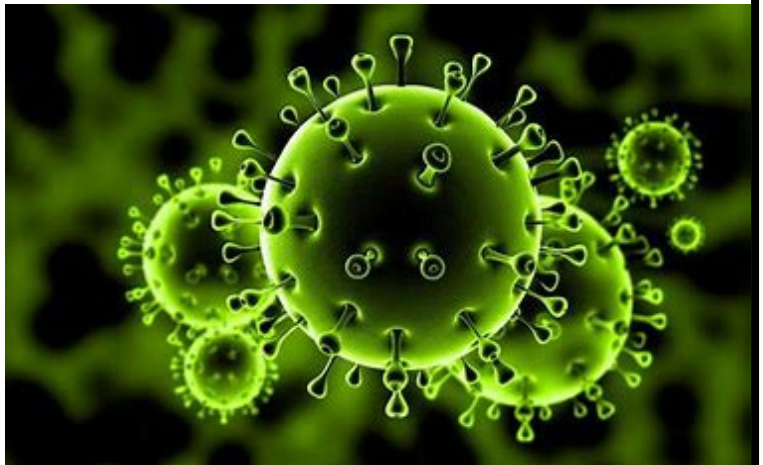
Thank you guys, good effort.

Lianna Parker. L.M.

Due to the serious Corona Virus thread, the following steps have been taken by your Committee.

The Easter Brunch, which was to be held on Sunday 6 April has been cancelled.

The Anniversary Dinner, which was scheduled for June will be rescheduled to another date later in the year.



The Electronic Club activities have been postponed.

All Sub-Club Activities have been cancelled until further notice.

The André Rieu concert at the Event Cinema on 2 August is doubtful, but not cancelled as yet.

The Neerlandia Seniors' Club

Welcome to the Neerlandia Seniors' Club page.

As you can see, on Thursday 27th **Ida Jutte** provided the cake, and what a cake it was, enormous!!! While on the 12th of March, **Helma Kleyne, Nelly van der Heiden and Thijs Gorter** provided 3 lots of goodies; no wonder our bellies are bulging. Thanks to all of you. We have not had any of the usual speculaas biscuits with the coffee lately. Due to the Coronavirus scare we refrained from kissing and shaking hands and had a bottle of sanitiser hand wash available at the entrance.

At the Seniors, we have a lot of fun playing carpet bowls, sjoelbakken, while many groups are playing all sorts of card games, some play rummicup while some others play billiards. **The Seniors Day Activities have been cancelled. We will notify you when we resume!!!**

50 Members on Thursday 27th February.



47 Members on Thursday 12th March.



Neerlandia Bingo



NEERLANDIA BINGO ON WEDNESDAY.

Day Games only:
1st, 15th and 29th of April.
13th and 27th of May

Games start at 11am—Doors open at 10am.



Lunch, a bowl of soup with bun, is \$7.50, at cost. Coffee/tea/biscuits free, self help.



Bingo on Wednesday 19th of February. With 28 players there was a lot of excitement.



Bingo on Wednesday 4th of March. We had a ball with 26 players at the tables!!!

BINGO BULLETIN. *From your friendly Bingo Organisers.*

The Bingo is up and running again with good attendances. It is good to see that many are sharing in the prizes. On the 19th February, **Henk Uyen and Jo van Gentevoort** played for free, the chocolate wafers were won by **Ann Roy** and the Neerlandia promoted box of Ferrero chocolates were won by **Bernie Uyen**, while the \$25.— loaded game went to **Peter Groos**.

On the 4th of March, **Helen Dans and Wilanda Bakker** played for free, the chocolate wafers were won by **Nelly Noorman**, the Ferrero box went to **Jo van Gentevoort** and the \$25.— loaded game went also to **Jo van Gentevoort**. Some people are lucky.

The Jackpot at \$62 did not go off, better luck next time. We welcomed 4 new players: Johan and Wilanda Bakker and Rod and Helen Levy. They won some money as well.
Henk Oorschot and Louis James

For information call Henk 9256 1977



IMMERSE IN MUSIC.

THE 2020 MAASTRICHT CONCERT.

For you to enjoy on the large **VMAX 11** screen at the
EVENT CINEMAS,

57 Liege Street Innaloo

at 1.00pm on Sunday 2nd of August 2020.

We have reserved, "ON BLOCK", 104 seats for you.

Reduced price for our Dutch Club Members **\$20.-**

Non-Members **\$40.-**

Secure your special tickets for this amazing concert from:

Henk Oorschot 9256 1977, email: henkoorschott@bigpond.com

Freda Hovingh on: 9448 0240, Mob: 0414 732 367

Someone you know WILL get coronavirus': Top doctor's chilling warning as he claims panic buying could 'prove disastrous'.

Infectious diseases specialist Abdu Sharkawy says people need to stop fearing what will happen if they get coronavirus, and to instead **'expect'** that it will eventually occur to them or their loved ones.

A leading specialist on infectious diseases says people need to stop fearing what will happen if they get coronavirus and to instead **'expect'** someone they know to come down with it.

Doctor Abdu Sharkawy, from Toronto, said a recent spate of panic buying across the globe in the wake of the COVID-19 outbreak was unnecessary and **'perpetuated even more fear'**.

Dr Sharkawy said what was most important was a change in attitude towards the disease - with the specialist claiming **its ability to spread rapidly means that at some point it will likely 'affect them or their family'**.

'COVID-19 is nowhere near over. It will be coming to a City, a hospital, a friend, even a family member near you at some point,' Dr Sharkawy wrote.

'Expect it. Stop waiting to be surprised further.'

'The fact is the virus itself will not likely do much harm when it arrives... but our own behaviours and "fight for yourself above all else" attitude could prove disastrous.'

Dr Sharkawy said he has serious concerns over the impact the virus will have on the economy, ability to travel and events such as the Olympics.

But he claims there are simple things that can be done to prevent the spread. The disease expert said washing hands and getting the flu shot would have a great impact on the likelihood of contracting coronavirus, while emptying supermarket shelves was unnecessary.



THE DOCTOR'S VIRAL POST AND HIS ADVICE ON CORONAVIRUS:

I'm a doctor and an Infectious Diseases Specialist. I've been at this for more than 20 years seeing sick patients on a daily basis. I have worked in inner City hospitals and in the poorest slums of Africa. HIV-AIDS, Hepatitis, TB, SARS, Measles, Shingles, Whooping cough, Diphtheria...there is little I haven't been exposed to in my profession. And with notable exception of SARS, very little has left me feeling vulnerable, overwhelmed or downright scared.

I am not scared of Covid-19. I am concerned about the implications of a novel infectious agent that has spread the world over and continues to find new

The Corona Virus - useful Information

footholds in different soil. I am rightly concerned for the welfare of those who are elderly, in frail health or disenfranchised who stand to suffer mostly, and disproportionately, at the hands of this new scourge. But I am not scared of Covid-19.

What I am scared about is the loss of reason and wave of fear that has induced the masses of society into a spellbinding spiral of panic, stockpiling obscene quantities of anything that could fill a bomb shelter adequately in a post-apocalyptic world.

I am scared of the N95 masks that are stolen from hospitals and urgent care clinics where they are actually needed for front line healthcare providers and instead are being donned in airports, malls, and coffee lounges, perpetuating even more fear and suspicion of others.

I am scared that our hospitals will be overwhelmed with anyone who thinks they " **probably don't have it but may as well get checked out no matter what because you just never know...**" and those with heart failure, emphysema, pneumonia and strokes will pay the price for overfilled ER waiting rooms with only so many doctors and nurses to assess.

I am scared that travel restrictions will become so far reaching that weddings will be cancelled, graduations missed and family reunions will not materialize. And well, even that big party called the Olympic Games...that could be kyboshed too. Even all sporting Events. Can you even imagine?

I'm scared those same epidemic fears will limit trade, harm partnerships in multiple sectors, business and otherwise and ultimately culminate in a global recession.

Acts not fear. Clean hands. Open hearts. Our children will thank us for it.

But mostly, I'm scared about what message we are telling our kids and family when faced with a threat.

Instead of reason, rationality, open mindedness and altruism, we are telling them to panic, be fearful, suspicious, reactionary and self-interested.

I implore you all.

Temper fear with reason, panic with patience and uncertainty with education. We have an opportunity to learn a great deal more about health hygiene and limiting the spread of innumerable transmissible diseases in our society.

Let's meet this challenge together in the best spirit of compassion for others, patience, and above all, an unfailing effort to seek truth, facts and knowledge as opposed to conjecture, speculation and catastrophizing.

Abdu Sharkawy.

A Preacher was trying to find the Post Office.

A preacher, newly called to a small country Town, needed to mail a letter.

Passing a young boy on the street, the pastor asked where he could find the Post Office.

After getting his answer, he thanked the boy and said: "If you'll come to the Community Church this evening, you can hear me tell everyone how to get to heaven."

"I don't know so much about that, sir," the boy replied.

"If you don't even know how to get to the Post Office.....!"



A Guy was walking girlfriend home.

A guy was walking his girlfriend home and eventually dropped her off on the front steps.

After the pair shared a few passionate kisses, the guy began feeling a little amorous.

With an air of confidence, he leaned in toward her with his hand against the wall and smiling and said: "Honey, how about we take our romance to the next level?"

Horried at the suggestion, she replied: "Are you mad? My parents will see us."

"Oh come on! Who's gonna see us at this hour?" he said.

"No, please. Can you imagine if we get caught?" she said nervously.

"Oh come on! There's nobody around, they're all sleeping," he whispered.

"No way. It's just too risky!" she said.

"Oh please, please.... I love you so much!" he whined.

"No, no, and no. I love you too, but I just can't do it!" she said loudly.

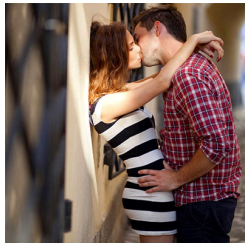
"Oh yes, you can. Please?" he begged.

"No, no. I just can't!" she said, getting a bit annoyed.

"I'm begging you . . ." he said.

Suddenly the light on the stairs went on and the girl's older sister showed up at the door in her baggy sleepwear looking very annoyed.

Looking tired and dishevelled the sister said: "Dad says, give your boyfriend what he is after, or even I am allowed to take your place, but for God's sake, tell your lover to take his



hand off the bl..... intercom!"

A man is in Hospital.

A man is in the hospital's IT unit, still a bit groggy and wearing an oxygen mask over his mouth after a big operation.

When he sees a nurse walk past, he motions for her to come over.

When she arrives he mumbles: "Nurse," and asks "are my testicles black?"

The nurse, worried about the patient's discomfort, quickly

raises his hospital gown and places her hand around his testicles. She moves them about to examine them and looks closely to see what is going on.

After her examination, she tells the man: "There's nothing wrong with them sir."

The man then pulls off his oxygen mask, smiles at her and says very slowly: "Thank you for that, it was lovely, but listen very, very carefully ... Are-my-test-results-back?"



A woman loves sunbathing.

An attractive woman spent almost all of her holiday sunbathing on the roof of the hotel.

She wore a bikini during the first week but on the second, being a naturist, she decided that no one could see her all the way up here, so she slipped out of it for an overall tan.

She'd hardly begun when she heard someone running up the stairs. She quickly pulled a towel over her as he approached.

"Excuse me, ma'am," said the flustered assistant manager of the hotel, out of breath from running up the stairs. "The hotel doesn't mind you sunbathing on the roof but we would very much appreciate you wearing a bathing suit as you did yesterday."

"What difference does it make," the woman asked rather calmly: "No one can see me up here and besides, I'm covered on top with a towel."

"Not exactly covered," said the embarrassed man. **"You're lying on the dining room skylight."**



May a bit of Humour light up your worried Day

Joe decided to treat his wife after work

Joe had asked Bob to help him out with the deck after work, so Bob just went directly with him. When they got to the door, Joe went straight to his wife, gave her a hug and told her how beautiful she was and how much he had missed her at work. When it was time for supper, he complimented his wife on her cooking, kissed her and told her how much he loved her.

Once they were working on the deck, Bob told Joe that he was surprised that he fussed so much over his wife. Joe said that he'd started this about six months ago, it had revived their marriage, and things couldn't be better.

Bob I can do that and thought he'd give it a



go. When he got home, he gave his wife a massive hug, kissed her and told her that he loved her. His wife burst into

tears.

Bob was confused and asked why she was crying.

he said: "This is the worst day of my life. First, little Billy fell off his bike and twisted his ankle. Then, the washing machine broke and flooded the basement. And now, you come home drunk!"

A husband and wife were sitting together having their morning coffee

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The husband asked: "Honey, you always carry my photo in your handbag to the office. Why?"



"When there is a problem, no matter how impossible, I look at your picture and the problem disappears," the wife

answered.

"You realise, how miraculous and powerful I am for you?"

"I agree," the wife said. "I see your picture and say to myself: 'What other problem can there be greater than this one?'"

An old lady decided to paint the living room.

An old lady decided to surprise her aged husband and paint the living room while her husband went



to the hospital for a check up.

After her husband arrived home, he found his wife lying on the floor in a pool of sweat while wearing a fur coat and a thick winter jacket. He asked her what the heck she was doing.

She said: "I wanted to prove to you that even though I'm old, I'm still handy around the house. I decided to paint the living room."

The husband was impressed at the good job she had done, but asked: "Well done, but why are you wearing two coats?"

She replied, "I read the directions on the paint can and it said: 'For best results, put on two coats!'"

A teacher is giving her students a lesson in logic.

A fourth-grade teacher was giving her students a lesson in logic.

"Here is the situation," she said. "A man is standing up in a boat in the middle of a river, fishing. He loses his balance, falls in, and begins splashing and yelling for help. His wife hears the commotion, knows he can't swim, and runs down to the bank.

Why do you think she ran to the bank?"

A girl raised her hand and asked: "To draw out all his savings?"



The March Sunday Drive.

On Sunday the 1st of March our Sunday Drive was held once again. With a couple of regular players still cruising and other players injured or ill, we were very lucky to have 3 complete tables of 4 players and that left 3 extra players.

But to make sure every player participated in the competition, we decided to play 3 games instead of the usual four and each table would have an "Invaller" (a fifth player).

With the new Caterer still finding his bearings, we had to get our own lunches from Subway and everyone seemed happy with the quantity and quality of the Ham, Cheese & Salad Rolls that we got.

The competition was very amicable with some tables having lots of fun. Nevertheless, that did not make the competition less intense and there was some serious, very competitive play happening.

When all the score sheets were handed in, the results were checked and the result was a cliff-hanger, as John van

der Wielen beat Murray Koedyk by the small margin of 10 points exactly.

The final results were:

1st prize: John van der Wielen 5187 points
2nd prize: Murray Koedyk 5177 points
3rd prize: John Zwartkruis 4989 points

We wish those players who did not attend because they were injured or unwell, a very speedy recovery.

Stop Press: The Sunday Drives as well as the Thursday Night Card Competition have been cancelled until further notice.

Pieter L. Life Member.

Sunday Klaverjas Drives.

Zaal is open om 10 uur voor de Koffie.

Het Kaarten begint om 11 uur precies. Kom Klaverjassen in de gezellige Karl's Bar van de RDC.

Prijzen voor de 3 winnaars.

Twee kopjes koffie met iets erbij en een goede Lunch zijn bij de toegangsprijs inbegrepen. Nieuwe Klaverjassers zijn van harte welkom.

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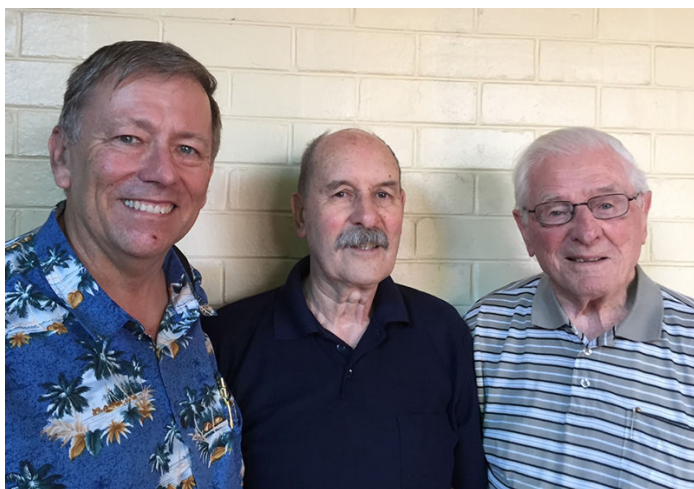
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Het bestuur: Piet & Piet.

De zondag klaverjas toernooien van 29 maart, 3 Mei en 7 Juni gaan niet door vanwege de Corona Virus.



The winners in February were: (l.t.r.) John Zwartkruis 3rd Prize; John van der Wielen 1st Prize and Murray Koedyk, 2nd Prize. Congratulations.

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Tilburg, the City where they celebrate Redhead Day



Tilburg Flag & Coat of Arms.

Tilburg is a City in the Netherlands, in the Southern Province of North Brabant. With a population of 217,595 (31 January 2019), it is the second-largest Municipality in North Brabant and the sixth largest in the Netherlands. Tilburg University is located here, as are Avans University of Applied Sciences and Fontys University of Applied Sciences.

There are three railway stations within the Municipality; Tilburg, Tilburg Universiteit and Tilburg Reeshof.

A 75-hectare (185-acre) area around Tilburg Central station, once a Dutch Railways train maintenance yard, has been purchased by the City and is being transformed into an urban zone.

History:

Little is known about the beginnings of Tilburg. The name Tilliburg first appeared in documents dating from AD 709, but after that there was no mention for several centuries. In the later Middle Ages, Tilburg consisted of a couple of hamlets, one of which was known as "Eastern Tilburg" (Oost-Tilburg). On 18 April 1809, Tilburg was granted City status, it had about 9,000 inhabitants by then.



Tilburg Skyline.

Wool Capital of the Netherlands:

The farmers living around Tilburg long ago started to weave their wool themselves and much of the space inside their small houses was occupied by a loom. By the 17th century these numbered about 300. Enterprising people then started to supply the weavers with wool for their "home looms" and purchased the finished products from them and so the first Tilburg "Mill Houses" came into existence. The wool industry underwent rapid growth and in 1881, Tilburg had as many as 145 Wool Mills. Woollen textiles from Tilburg were well known and famous all over the world.

After World War II this trend continued, but in the 1960s the industry collapsed and by the 1980s the number of Wool Mills could be counted on the fingers of one hand.

Textile Museum:

The Textile Museum in Tilburg isn't your average Museum. It's actually a complete textile factory with an extensive collection of textile design. The Textile Museum shows you how



Textile Museum.



Woolen materials.



Working Looms.

Tilburg, the City where they celebrate Redhead Day



National Park De Loonse en Drunense Duinen.

techniques and machinery have developed over the years. You can also see, how designers experiment with fabrics in the 'Textile Lab'.

The Textile Museum uses multimedia, objects, art and film to take you back to the Dutch textile industry from around 1860 to the present day. You'll be surprised at how fascinating the story behind textile is.



Thousands of redheads come for a weekend of fun.

Redhead Day:

28, 29, and 30 August 2020 are the days to mark in your diary, because that's when we're celebrating the 15th annual Redhead Days Festival! This year's theme colour; Anthracite, (Charcoal) will make those red tresses stand out.

The festival is attended by thousands of Redheads coming here from anywhere and is always held at the

end of the summer break; a group photo is taken each year; art plays a big role and Brabant is the pleasant backdrop to it all.

Carnaval:

Each year in March Carnaval will take over Tilburg and there will be 4 days of merriment and partying.

This Century old event is steeped in tradition and goes back many Centuries. It is a must for the locals and it attracts many tourists.

Kermis (Funfair):

The City of Tilburg also grinds to a halt for ten days in July every year, because the Funfair, which boasts some 250 attractions and rides, ranging from Rollercoasters and Catapults to Bumper Cars, spread across 4.5 km in the City.

Compile from the Internet by Pieter Leeftang.



Carnival literally takes over the city for day.



10 days of Kermis (Funfair) with 250 attractions.

Code-Word and Sudoku Puzzles

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CODEBREAKER PUZZLE

A Codebreaker is a crossword puzzle with no clues! Every letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a number.

For this puzzle **two** letters only are revealed. Start with entering these letters throughout the puzzle and then start guessing your first word or letter. Use a pencil to start, then if it does not work out, you can erase it and start again.

Some letters, e.g. the letters E and A and S occur more often than others e.g. the letter X or Z. *The last Codebreaker was a bit difficult, but once you found the words **Aardvark, Karma and Agreed**, you were well on your way to solve it.*

The letter codes for last month's Codebreaker was as follows:

A=24; B=6; C=1; D=9; E=7; F=23; G=14; H=4; I=18; J=3; K=21; L=15; M=13; N=2; O=12; P=25; Q=19; R=22; S=17; T=16; U=5; V=11; W=8; X=20; Y=10; Z=26.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
				R	T							
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
								O				

Sudoku Puzzles

The aim of the Sudoku Puzzle is to insert numbers 1-9 in the each row and column, but each 3x3 box must also contain a complete set of numbers 1-9.

Sudoku 51 - Easy

4	7	3			8			1
6		1	7	9	2			
				1		8		
	9				7	6	3	
2			4					
5		7			6			
	5		2	4			8	
1		2					7	
3			5		1		9	

Sudoku 51 - Moderate

7			8	3				6
6		5			4	7	2	
4			5	6				
3						2		9
	9							
		7	1					
5					9		8	
	6	4		5				2
	3	2		8		1	7	

Last month's Sudoku Easy 50 solution.

7	9	3	8	1	4	6	2	5
1	2	6	7	5	9	3	8	4
4	5	8	3	6	2	7	9	1
5	3	9	1	7	6	8	4	2
8	7	4	5	2	3	9	1	6
2	6	1	9	4	8	5	3	7
6	8	7	2	9	1	4	5	3
9	1	5	4	3	7	2	6	8
3	4	2	6	8	5	1	7	9

Last month's Sudoku Medium 50 solution.

1	6	8	3	4	2	7	9	5
7	3	9	1	5	6	2	4	8
2	5	4	7	8	9	6	1	3
3	2	1	8	6	4	5	7	9
8	4	7	9	1	5	3	2	6
5	9	6	2	7	3	1	8	4
4	7	3	5	9	1	8	6	2
6	8	5	4	2	7	9	3	1
9	1	2	6	3	8	4	5	7

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